

Wheat, 17 1/2; corn, 12 1/2; soybeans, 11 1/2; cotton, 15 1/2; rice, 14 1/2; flour, 11 1/2; sugar, 11 1/2; coffee, 11 1/2; tea, 11 1/2; tobacco, 11 1/2; oil, 11 1/2; gas, 11 1/2; electricity, 11 1/2; water, 11 1/2; telephone, 11 1/2; mail, 11 1/2; express, 11 1/2; freight, 11 1/2; passenger, 11 1/2; auto, 11 1/2; truck, 11 1/2; bus, 11 1/2; train, 11 1/2; ship, 11 1/2; plane, 11 1/2; boat, 11 1/2; car, 11 1/2; house, 11 1/2; lot, 11 1/2; acre, 11 1/2; block, 11 1/2; city, 11 1/2; county, 11 1/2; state, 11 1/2; nation, 11 1/2; world, 11 1/2; universe, 11 1/2; everything, 11 1/2.

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55 CASUALTIES ARE ANNOUNCED

Twenty-five Are Tuscania Victims, Identified by Their Finger Prints.

Washington, D. C., March 29.—Twenty-five casualties were announced today by the War Department. Twenty-five of them were identified by their finger prints taken from the bodies of the victims.

The list of casualties follows: Killed in action: 20. Died of wounds: 4. Died of disease: 1. Died of accident: 2. Died of unknown cause: 1. Wounded: 30. Identified by finger prints: 25. The following are the names of the victims: (List of names follows in columns)

RAID REPORT PROVES FALSE

Responding to an alarming call by telephone by a Mrs. Lena Baker, who said that 20 mounted Mexicans had crossed the international boundary from the Mexican side a short distance east of the five mile bridge on the Yuleta road and appeared to be on a raid, Sheriff Seth Ordorff, chief of police, and other officers, including Capt. A. M. Weyand, provost marshal, dispatched four automobile loads of deputies, police officers, and provost guardsmen to that locality about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Gen. Hays' Advice Return. About 1 o'clock the El Paso officers returned, bringing word that they had found the general had advised them to return to the city inasmuch as the cavalry patrol was watching a number of Mexicans across the river and would be able to handle them if they started across.

It was said that no crossing had been effected. The El Pasoans met the commander at the crossing of the international line and the Yuleta road, where the alleged raid was reported.

Insult Men and Woman. A report reaching Rio Grande Valley Traction company, employees operating the interurban line to Yuleta, said at 2:30 o'clock that an American man and woman who went down to the river near Ascarate station were insulted and harassed by a band of mounted Mexicans on the south side of the river and that the couple ran back to the street telephone and sent in a report of the incident.

PREVENTS SERBS JOINING ARMY. Salt Lake City, March 29.—Charged with having attempted to intimidate Serbians who contemplated joining the United States army, Vaso Mandrich, an American, was arrested at St. Paul, Minn., by officers of the United States department of justice, who were to Washington for a presidential warrant to intern Mandrich at West Point.

PERSHING'S OFFER DELIGHTS BAKER. With the United States army in France, March 29.—(By The Associated Press.)—I am delighted at Gen. Pershing's prompt and effective action in placing all the American troops and facilities at the disposal of the allies in the present situation," said secretary of war Baker, in a statement given out at headquarters today.

SAYS SPIES ARE IN CURTISS PLANT. Newark, N. J., March 29.—Admission that a group of German spies have been employed in the plant of the Curtiss Engineering corporation at Hempstead, N. Y., on Long Island, has been obtained from Mrs. Lydia Hale, a woman arrested today with blueprints of airplanes in her possession, the police have announced.

MAYOR TO GIVE BOXING SHOWS

Proceeds From Municipal Boxing Bouts to Be Used for Charity.

Toledo, O., March 29.—Boxing fans and promoters here are watching with interest the proposed movement on the part of mayor Cornell Schretter to take over and operate all boxing contests in this city. The mayor also proposes the employment of a municipal matchmaker to arrange all fights taking place here.

The mayor's proposal comes as the result of a recent bout here in which one of the contestants made a poor showing and apparently was doing his best. The fighter's action caused considerable adverse comment on the part of the spectators.

Taught Many Famous Men. The boxing commission has issued an order that fighters in main bouts hereafter held in Toledo must be in the city at least three days to allow the public and reporters to see if they are in proper condition.

UNDER THE SHERMAN ACT. Boston, Mass., March 29.—Mass of mole contentions were entered in the federal court here today by three companies indicted under the Sherman act.

BAILEY TO REESTABLISH HORSE BREEDING FARM. Louisville, Ky., March 29.—Special telegrams from Lexington today announced that Joseph W. Bailey, former United States senator from Texas, will reestablish a breeding farm there for the development of thoroughbred trotting horses.

HOUSE PASSES LIBERTY LOAN BOND MEASURE. Washington, D. C., March 29.—The Liberty loan bill was passed unanimously by the house tonight in virtually the same form as reported from the ways and means committee, which framed it in accord with recommendations of secretary McAdoo.

FIRM TO BUILD 150 WOOD SHIPS

Washington, D. C., March 29.—Chairman Hurley of the shipping board, late today gave permission to vacant wooden ship yards in Oregon to accept contracts from the Atlantic and Pacific Steamship company for the construction of 150 motor driven ships of 2000 tons each.

The ships probably will cost \$25,000 to \$40,000 each. Their construction will not interfere with the shipping board's building program either in timber or in machinery. The vessels probably will be put into the Pacific coast and China trade.

Officials of the shipping board were enthusiastic over the new building program as the most progressive step since the board's program was started.

We Only Regret We Have Not Ten Times As Many Men To Offer To France. Washington, D. C., March 29.—The house rose and cheered today when representative Husted, Republican of New York, who has a boy in France, speaking on Gen. Pershing's formal offer of all available American troops, declared:

"Our sole regret is that we have not ten times as many troops over there as we have to help."

SAY LASATER IS ALL WRONG. Washington, D. C., March 29.—Food administration officials today took issue with H. C. Lasater's statement before the senate committee today and characterized it as ridiculous. In reply to his statement that inventories show a decrease ranging from 10 to 20 percent, the food administration, they said, never advocated \$10 for hams but last November assured producers a minimum price of \$18.50 and has maintained that with some difficulty.

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BRITISH SEVER TURK RAILWAY

London, Eng., March 29.—The British forces at Palestine have cut off Turkish communications by severing several miles of the track of the Hedjaz railway.

The statement reads: "On Thursday and Friday our operations east of the Jordan continued successfully in spite of the stubborn opposition of the enemy. Colonel mounted troops destroyed several miles of the track of the Hedjaz railway. Two hostile airplanes were destroyed."

On Thursday we attacked westward of the Jordan and the left center of our line was advanced two miles on a front of eight miles. We captured Belr Siman, Khumim-Eli-Ikva and Khumim-Eli-Bueid.

The cutting of the Hedjaz railway line severs the communication of the Turks with any of their forces that may be in the region southeast of the Dead sea, and with those in western Arabia. The resulting Arabs in the Hedjaz district have been members of the lower part of this railway for some time but the destruction of the line at this far more northerly point will it seems probable, prove a far more serious blow to the Turks.

The only rail route to Medina, just to the north of Mecca, the Mohammedan shrine, is also destroyed by this blow.

British Losses During March, But Not Including Big Battle, Are 14,090. London, Eng., March 29.—British casualties reported in March reached a total of 14,090, divided as follows: Killed or died of wounds: Officers, 271; men, 2673.

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CANADIANS SWEEP ENEMY LINE WITH STORMS OF SHELLS

LONDON, Eng., March 30.—The Germans have captured the villages of Auberville (5 1/2 miles northwest of Mont Didier), Grievnes, Canigney, Meniel St. Georges, Le Monchel and Ayencourt, the war office announced this evening. (All the villages named are in the Mont Didier region.)

Heavy fighting is progressing to the eastward of Ayencourt (two miles south of Mont Didier). The exact situation is unknown. A heavy rain is falling.

Besides gaining ground south and southeast of Mont Didier, the Germans made some progress west of the Avre (southeast of Amiens).

CANADIAN Army Headquarters. March 29.—(By Canadian Press Ltd.)—From early last night until 6 o'clock this morning the noise of guns has been persistent upon the whole front from the south to hill No. 19 in the north. Steadily for over ten hours our heaviest field guns, trench mortars and machine guns maintained their fire on thousands of yards of front against the enemy trenches.

At 11 o'clock and again at 5:30 our artillery fire increased to battle intensity, the enemy assembling and concentration areas and communication roads being raked with creeping shrapnel. The intensity and duration of the fire was such that no enemy attacks developed north of Oppy.

British Army Headquarters in France, March 29.—(By Associated Press.)—Yesterday strong patrols in the Arras sector penetrated the British outpost line north of Arras and forced the points to withdraw after a brief but intense fight. This appeared to be the only change in the line before Arras.

Losses March and April. One British division marched from 9 o'clock one evening until 4 o'clock the next afternoon and then flung itself into the battle zone where it fought and killed and dug in until its position was secured. Then these soldiers knew themselves in a position to stand and sleep with their heads pillowed upon their bayonettes. There are other instances even more spectacular which may not be mentioned, but it is unnecessary to amplify as America already knows the temper of her British allies and knows that the British will take a lot of beating before they will give in.

Perry Escapes From Amiens Prison. A spectacular British maneuver at Amiens after its capture by the Germans on Thursday became known today. When the place was enveloped the body of defending troops was cut off and the Germans were forced to withdraw through a gap formed in the German line.

The fact that the Germans, according to the report, are entrenched along the Thiérache-La Baille line is viewed as a tribute to the magnificent defense which the British maintained at this important gateway to the war.

One Big Body Sticks. There has been another display of the British determination in this quarter. The correspondent knows of one large body of troops who dug themselves in along the vital sector in question and announced that whatever happened to the rest of the British line they were going to stick until they were either victorious or the last man was dead. They are sticking and from their past achievements it is safe to say they will continue to stick.

SENATORS DISCUSS BATTLE PROGRESS. Washington, D. C., March 29.—The situation on the battle fronts in Picardy, as shown by official reports from Gen. Pershing and Bliss, was graphically pictured to members of the senate military committee today at their regular weekly conference with war department officials. No effort was made to minimize the extent of the German breakthrough into the allied lines.

Senator Hitchcock said afterwards that press accounts of the battle were accurate, apparently, but he deprecated over-optimistic predictions. There is great hope, however, the senator said, in the minds of military officials here over the strategic possibilities of a French offensive movement when the time comes.

Brig. Gen. Wheeler, acting chief of ordnance, was closely questioned by senators as to progress in the production of cannon for American troops. The senators, it is said, felt that the ordnance program should be greatly enlarged.

WANTS TO PLAY TWO GAMES. Richter Jimmy Lavender asked manager Pat McNamara to send him to Atlanta, where he would be able to play near his home town of Montezuma, Ga. Lavender has a farm at Montezuma and thinks his duty to Uncle Sam requires that he see that a full crop is grown on it.

DER KATZIES

Dere's No Fooling Der Captain. He Found Out All Right



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